

**8-9 DECEMBER 2022 BOARD MEETING
UNCONTESTED AGENDA ITEM**

AGENDA ITEM: 14

SUBJECT:

Rescinding Waste Discharge Requirements Orders

BOARD ACTION:

Adopt the Orders

BOARD MEETING LOCATION:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Meeting

Cal EPA

1001 I Street, #1

Coastal Hearing Room

Second Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814

AND VIA VIDEO AND TELECONFERENCE

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

ORDER R5-2022-XXXX

RESCINDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board), finds that the Central Valley Water Board adopted the following Order which are no longer applicable for the reasons shown:

**A) PLACER COUNTY, FORESTHILL CLASS III LANDFILL, PLACER COUNTY –
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. R5-2005-0069**

Placer County (“Discharger”) owns and operates the closed 4.2-acre Foresthill Landfill, a Class III landfill on a 52-acre property approximately two miles southwest of Foresthill. The landfill is a municipal solid waste (MSW) landfill regulated under authority given in Water Code section 13000 et seq.; California Code of Regulations, title 27 (“Title 27”), section 20005 et seq. Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2005-0069 implements these statutes and regulations for the landfill.

The landfill operated from 1966 to 1983 accepting primarily household waste, construction debris, and green waste. The Discharger ceased accepting wastes in 1983 and closed the landfill in 1984. The Facility consists of one unlined waste management unit defined as “inactive” pursuant to Title 27 section 20080(g) because it ceased accepting wastes prior to 27 November 1984. Since construction of the onsite transfer station in 1984, all household waste has been transported for disposal at the Western Regional Landfill in Lincoln.

The available data indicates there is no evidence of a significant release, if any, of leachate from the waste management unit. Groundwater samples have been analyzed for all contaminants of concern (COCs) and only low-level concentrations of common laboratory contaminants (Di-n-butyl phthalate, cis-1,2-Dichloroethene, bis-(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate, and chloroform) or naturally occurring constituents (hexavalent chromium) have been detected over the last 33 years. Known landfill gas concentrations appear to be minimal, and cover integrity and drainage appear adequate. The proposed Recission Order requires the Discharger submit a workplan for Executive Officer approval for decommissioning all existing monitoring wells at the landfill in accordance with the State Department of Water Resources' Bulletins 74-81 and 74-90 (California Well Standards).

The Discharger commenced groundwater monitoring in 1988, corresponding to a post-closure monitoring period exceeding 33 years. The Discharger satisfied the minimum prescriptive post-closure monitoring period requirements of Title 27 (18 years) and State Water Board Resolution No. 93-62, including 40 CFR part 258.61 (30 years).

By rescinding WDRs Order No. R5-2005-0069, the Regional Board does not cede authority set forth in California Water Code section 13000 et seq. or Title 27 section 20005 et seq. The Foresthill Landfill remains subject to coordinated regulatory oversight, including but not limited to, non-water and water quality provisions of Title 27

such as postclosure land use (Title 27, § 21190(c)), maintenance of cover integrity (Title 27, § 21190(d)), and restrictions on construction of structural improvements on top of landfilled areas (Title 27, § 21190(e)). The LEA notified the Discharger that these requirements continue in perpetuity for the life of the Facility, prohibited unauthorized land use changes, and established continued regulatory coordination between CalRecycle, the Local Enforcement Agency, and the Central valley Regional Water Quality Control Board.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Order is rescinded on the date of this order unless otherwise stated above.

I, PATRICK PULUPA, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region on 8 December 2022.

PATRICK PULUPA, Executive Officer